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## HOW LONG, GOOD PEOPLE!

We doubt not that many of our readers—but no more so than the editor of this paper—rejoice that this is the last issue of weekly papers before the primary. Next Thursday, while we are at press, is August 1st, the day when the issue will be decided in the campaign for State officers. The VIRGINIA CITIZEN has, editorially, made no blatant predictions or claims in this contest, and dealt in no mud-slinging. We believe Mann will be nominated for Governor and Curlett renominated to the House. We believe Lancaster and Northumberland will go for Mann, and probably Westmoreland, too. Richmond has a small vote, as gleaned from elections in the past and the taxpayers' list (but they do say that the powers there are to increase the Democratic primary by admitting Republicans). That county will go for Tucker and Wellford, but can make little impression if Democrats, only, are permitted to vote. At the primary four years ago, when hotter than now, only 193 votes were cast in the entire county. There is no more reason now than then for our sister county to poll a larger vote. She has not grown any to speak of. A Richmond county man was then, as now, running against a Lancaster man. But for all that, they seem to see in Curlett's success a victory for Editor Lee, and so promise to give Wellford a big vote and Curlett virtually none—a la Pinckard-Wellford campaign. How long are right-thinking people going to submit to such bossism run mad with unreasonable prejudice?

## WHICH MOST CONSISTENT?

Four years ago this paper supported Swanson against the field. We had supported him, and carried Lancaster county for him, four years previous, when he lost out to Montague at the famous Norfolk convention and made name and fame by the splendid and magnanimous course he then pursued. Not only did the editor of this paper but hundreds of other delegates there arise and pledge support for four years later. At the time Judge Mann had never been mentioned as a probable candidate.

When the four years rolled around, no matter how much we liked Judge Mann loyalty demanded that we stand by Swanson. We did that, and so did nearly all the others who had been to the convention four years before. Swanson won handsomely. Judge Mann was our second choice. Having won our first choice, we are now fighting for our second choice. Here is an editorial in this paper of August 25, 1905—just after Swanson was nominated:

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## DISGUSTING EPIETHETS.

The Baltimore Sun reads Virginia as a good lesson in lengthy editorial. In his mean way Mr. Tucker this week likened Judge Mann to a "squeezed lemon". After poking fun at the mud-slinging in Virginia the Sun says:

Judge Mann is a gentleman of impressive dignity of bearing, a lawyer who has many of the characteristics of the old school, a Virginian who both in public and private life is considered by a large following a man of steady and serious purpose. The intimation by Mr. Tucker that the Nottaway county statesman would, under any conditions, fall to the low estate of a "squeezed lemon" indicates that Mr. Tucker's oratory is at 100 in the shade. \* \* Judge Mann a "squeezed lemon"—Judge Mann, the learned jurist and dignified gentleman, a juiceless fruit, handed out to an unsophisticated and trustful electorate! \* \* Which of these distinguished sons of the Old Dominion will be the "squeezed lemon" in the primary?

The office-loafer (his tribe exists in many States), after a more or less careful perusal of our exchanges, concludes that if Virginia newspaper reports and editorial intonances are to be accepted as truth, both Mann and Tucker are drivelling idiots and should be assigned to an asylum for the feeble-minded. Perhaps criminally insane would better fit their cases. The only safety, he thinks, for the democracy of Virginia will be to perform a miracle and resurrect Henry A. Wise and thus rescue the party from destruction. That his promiscuous reading has obliterated his political judgment goes without saying—but then the office loafer is a peculiar genus and is therefore herein and hereby immortalized.

## UP TO EDITORS OF DAILIES.

TO OUR RICHMOND AND NORFOLK COUNTERPARTS:

If Judge Mann be the unworthy Democrat you picture him and would have readers believe, you cannot, as honest men and good citizens, vote for him if he nominates. Ergo, as honest men you cannot take the primary pledge and should not vote in the primary.

It is up to you, brethren, to recant and set Judge Mann right before your readers, or to announce that you will not participate in the primary. It is no excuse to say that you prefer our nominee to be a Virginian Republican, for a true Virginian Democrat, having to decide between a Republican and a Democrat he stamps an imbecile, a trimmer and worse, will refrain from voting.

We have not maligned Mr. Tucker, and if he should be nominated will pull off our coats for him—even though he made the rash promise last April to an official gentleman near here, that if elected Governor \* \* \* there is one thing I promise you I will not do, and that is appoint McDonald Lee Commissioner of Fisheries. Although too late, brained, in our opinion, to be a good governor, Mr. Tucker is a gentleman, and we will gladly vote for him if he wins. The editor of this paper is not "bankrupting" after the "job", and personal capidity does not enter into his support of Judge Mann. We say, once for all, that the position is not essential to his support or happiness. If he does not render "value received" to the State he should be turned out.

The Tidewater Democrat labors under the impression that the VIRGINIA CITIZEN and the Northern Neck News are tilting over this campaign. We have left that, for once, to our Southside brethren. While allowing its columns to be used by scribbles and correspondents to defame Mann and Curlett, happily the Northern Neck News has not engaged this paper in any discussion of acrimony or bitterness to speak of during this campaign. This is us most heartily desire at all times; and we hope our Warsaw contemporary will not allow its columns to be perverted this last issue before the campaign, breaking the general good feeling and at the same time giving us no opportunity to reply. Last week we observed two editorial slips, but they are hardly worth attention. The News denies our allegation that Mahone turned name and fame by the splendid and magnanimous course he then pursued. Not only did the editor of this paper but hundreds of other delegates there arise and pledge support for four years later. At the time Judge Mann had never been mentioned as a probable candidate.

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It is evidence that Mr. Tucker's winning is hopeless among his friends. They are priming him for Congress next year—to run against Hal Flood to get even for the gubernatorial drubbing Flood is helping Mann administer. He'll be a Congressional candidate, all right, but his aspiration now are for the Governorship, and, doubtless, later the U. S. Senatorship. That house just bought in Washington must be occupied—but it will be by Private Tucker and Mrs. Tucker. The rich, northern lady—and we sincerely but modestly hope the mansion in Richmond will not be so occupied.

The Norfolk Landmark's attention is called, in the pot-fishing of Maryland purse-netters referred to by the Baltimore Sun, to the fact that these fellows are after food fish. They are not menhaden fishers. We have a few such, unlicensed, in Virginia waters, and our authorities, without a law in the case, have endeavored to eradicate them. A bill prohibiting it was lost in the last legislature through lack of interest.

So not the records showed the eager Tuckerites that Judge Mann voted against the Readjusters in 1879. They wonder, then, why he was retained by them as a Judge. For the reason that thirty years ago, even as now, he was a good, honest man, and the Readjusters could find none equal in their own ranks.

Voter take no stock in the claim of the city papers that the race is close between Mann and Tucker—any further than it shows they have not much confidence in Mr. Tucker's winning. Remember the Richmond daily's prophecies four years ago against Martin and Swanson, and then recall the walkover.

If Democrats could make ex-Republican Governor Cameron a Constitutional Convention member, and elect Readjuster "Parson" Massey lieutenant-governor, so soon after their change of faith, surely they should not gag at making Democrat Wm. Hodges Mann governor now because he was a friend of Mahone thirty years ago when Mahone was Democratic leader.

Even friends of Mr. Wellford are censuring his newspaper and correspondents for the fierce attacks upon Mr. Curlett and repudiate the vile methods. But Mr. Wellford has not as yet measured up to the man of the hour to disclaim sympathy with the methods.

BETWEEN snickers, we are reading files of the N. N. News and Southside Sentinel of four years ago, in which they predict a Swanson defeat, and a Montague victory. Lan's sake! how we do carry on when the stage is all ours!

Will Mr. Tucker and his newspapers that have quoted Dr. Pitt be now fair enough to reproduce the Baptist divine's partial disclaimer? See another column and his letter to the N. N. News.

MAYBE we will have to try to explain next week how it all happened, but we hope to let the political prophets do that.

## WATCH THEIR TRICKS.

Voters May Expect Letters and Dodgers From Tucker Leaders This Last Week.

From the manner of campaign Mr. Tucker has carried on through the State we expect some little whippersnappers in this section to scatter through their paper and circulate this last week before the primary some campaign literature that cannot bear the light of answer. Likely they will pattern after (for they can't originate) the CITIZEN four years ago in getting up Judge Mann's record on the Jordan bill. We did not understand his vote then, and thought he showed a weakening on his vote, and published it, but these same men and paper that took issue with us then, and supported Judge Mann, are going to take issue with us now, and not support the Judge now.

So you may look out for their publishing our editorial of four years ago. We want them to do it (but preferred their doing it earlier so we might have quoted them against themselves). It might be sufficient answer, however, that they got out a circular affirming that Judge Mann had on all occasions voted against the Jordan bill, quoting Senator Walker and others. It made us feel that, probably, while right on the record vote, we were wrong in the intent and wisdom of Judge Mann's position. We accepted their interpretation four years ago, and accept it now. So to reproduce an editorial now which they repudiated then will be to stultify themselves and not hurt Judge Mann or us. Senators Walker and Sears and Representative John M. Lyell declared he was Tidewater's friend all through, and we submit the following letters from the leader of the fight, written four years ago, as answer in full to the editorial in question:

MATTHEWS, VA., May 10, 1905.  
MR. E. S. HAMMONDS,  
My DEAR SIR: You must please pardon me for not answering your letter requesting information upon how Judge Mann cast his vote in the Senate of Virginia upon the Oyster Question, but in some way your letter was overlooked.

When the fight on the Jordan Bill was up in Senate, Judge Mann not only voted against its passage, but gave to the Tidewater members his support and assistance in its defeat. I am not supporting Judge Mann for Governor, but Capt. Jos. E. Willard, yet in justice and fairness to Judge Mann I must correctly inform you of his attitude and course upon the Oyster Question.

Very truly yours,  
J. E. SEARS.

EDITOR VIRGINIA CITIZEN:  
After the "Jordan Bill" had passed the House of Delegates, and reached the Senate for the second time, the majority of its members, Judge Mann among the number, seemed to be entirely willing to have the bill sleep, in order that the Senate might adjourn without voting upon the question. This, as you are aware, was the result, and the second bill was defeated.

I do not expect to vote for Judge Mann (Gov. Willard being my choice in this race), but I cannot forget, and must ever give credit to every Senator voting with Tidewater in that hour when we needed sympathy, encouragement and support. I remember the interest you manifested in that fight, and shall always recall whenever the subject is mentioned the service you rendered Tidewater.

Very sincerely,  
J. E. SEARS.

Now crack your whip, smart alecks!

Blessed am Dey dat 'Spects Nothing—From the Dailies in this Campaign.

Immediately after the publication of the Mann-Mahone letters the editor of this paper addressed a communication to the Richmond Times-Dispatch setting forth our views on them, in which we indicated that in the event Mr. Tucker was nominated he was in the line to oppose Governor Swanson's chances for the United States Senate. Up to the present writing the communication has never appeared in that paper—Westmoreland Inquirer.

## Would Force Whites And Blacks.

As late as this spring, at Emporia, Tucker declared for State compulsory education. When he denied this, officials, citizens and ministers, all who heard him, declared Mr. Tucker could not truthfully deny it. In the many published statements that Tucker did advocate it we find this one of Rev. Hugh C. Smith, the well-known Baptist minister:

"I understood him to say that he favored compulsory education and he made no allusion to the local option compulsory education law."

Sincerely yours  
[Signed] HUGH C. SMITH,  
Baptist Minister.

## SOME OX-GORING.

An Old Democrat Draws Vivid Contrasts in This Miserable Campaign.

EDITOR CITIZEN:  
We are now near the close (for which thank goodness) of the dirtiest political campaign that Virginia has been cursed with since Reconstruction days. Judge Mann refrained for months from alluding to Mr. Tucker in any but the most courteous and friendly way. That flippant gentleman returned the compliment by abusing the Judge, the churches, temperance unions, the Democratic organization, etc., in such a vehement manner for weeks that it disgusted right thinking men until many were Tuckerites (as John R. Ferryhough, of Middlesex, for instance). Now publicly proclaim they could not brook seeing such an abusive man and wild talker governor of Virginia. Worse than this, Mr. Tucker has accused Judge Mann of doing or being more reprehensible things than a stenographer could keep track of, not one of which was worth notice, or if of import was untrue.

Among other things this prodigal Democrat, who has lately returned to the "house of his fathers" to get a fat political calf, accused Judge Mann of being "off" on temperance (after 35 years' loyalty) for five minutes, when he refused to vote for a tax of \$400 on Pullman whiskey cars. To have done so would have licensed selling drinks on the cars such as are not now permitted.

That he had virtually accepted a stolen seat in the Senate. This was threatened out years before by Republicans, and fell to the ground.

That he had made promises of office when he should become Governor. This was repudiated by the gentlemen in the case.

That he had hobbled with the Readjusters and not always been a Democrat. The Mahone letters of 30 years ago offered in substantiation show nothing but that he was a friend of Mahone when the latter was the Democratic leader.

That the whiskey ring is supporting Judge Mann. He has failed to prove this also. Look about you, ye men of Virginia, and see who it is the liquor people are whooping up.

And so on. Not an issue of importance to the State has been offered by Mr. Tucker that was not already ago, and only personal abuse of his opponent! No wonder decent people resent this method of campaigning, and no wonder that even the complacent Christian gentleman, Judge Mann, turned and hit back in like manner after weeks of abuse. Mr. Tucker has kept up his accusations and not one of these has been able to show proof of it. It has been "hot air" and abuse only.

On the other hand, Judge Mann has been forced to retaliate, and in every instance has proven by documentary evidence that—

Mr. Tucker scattered Republican literature during the Bryan campaign.

That he quit the State and politics, and comes back only when there is a big plum in sight.

That he (through friends) asked Roosevelt for a Federal judgeship—thus evidently intending to leave the Democratic fold for life.

That he dodged two local option elections in his home town and did not vote.

That he voted with the whiskey people the only two opportunities he had when in Congress—upon the bill to prevent shipment of liquor into dry territory.

That he got a big salary from the Oyster northern Educators to travel through the South advocating compulsory education of whites and blacks.

Do you believe, Mr. Editor, if Mr. Tucker had been a "dry" man that the "wet" city papers would be supporting him? No, sirree, no! If opposing him they would have taken any one of the foregoing lapses and nailed him irretrievably. They have made mountains out of mole-hills in Judge Mann's case and passed unnoticed these convicting items in Mr. Tucker's record. They would have shown the miserable squabble at "Jamestown"—a woman's tea-party scrap—which he allowed to drive away the only man who could have pulled the exposition out of a hole. But the smarting only comes when your own ox is gored, and the city press have closed their eyes to fairness and justice in this campaign. And they pose as leaders of the people and public opinion! We shall see. The people of old Virginia will be heard from next week.

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## WALKER, SEARS, LYELL SAY MANN WAS TRUE.

Lewis-Wellford People will be in a Box to Accept and Disseminate Editorial of the "Citizen", Which They Despise.

Senator Walker, Senator Sears, John M. Lyell and others say that Judge Mann stood by the oyster people and them and voted every time against the measures surrounding the Jordan bill. He voted with them against every amendment and substitute affecting it. The Jordan bill proper never came to a vote in the Senate. In the last days he voted to recommit the bill, which was its death, while Walker and Sears thought best to give it its death on the floor—a mere question of policy, either of which meant its death.

Will the Lewis-Wellford-Downing crowd, who so dearly (?) love the oyster people, repudiate the views and statements of Senators Walker and Sears and accept the opinion four years ago of the CITIZEN's editor? We shall see.

## POLLING AND BETTING.

Little money is being put up on this gubernatorial election. What odds there are on Mann's side. Some Richmond men who say if they vote at all they will vote for Tucker, are putting their money on Mann.

A poll of the rural press of the State by the News Leader since the Mahone letters shows a majority of them for Mann and the prevailing sentiment to be that publication of the letters will help, rather than injure, Judge Mann.

## DR. R. H. PITT ANSWERS

Publication in N. N. News That Was Spread on the Stump by Mr. Tucker.

LONG PERSONAL FRIENDSHIP TIES BAPTIST EDITOR TO TUCKER.

EDITOR NORTHERN NECK NEWS:  
The Evening Journal of this city recently reproduced from your columns a statement to the effect that I was "earnestly supporting" Mr. Tucker in his campaign for the Democratic nomination for Governor. As I have never opened my mouth in public on the question, I do not know how your information was obtained. I take no public part whatever in politics. My energies are fully employed in other directions. I do not at all deny that I am thoroughly friendly to Mr. Tucker's candidacy and in the exercises of my rights as a citizen of the commonwealth, I hope to vote for him on the 5th of August. So far, your statement of my position is correct. I think I know the situation in Virginia fairly well and I have no disposition to apologize to anybody for my preference. I have known Mr. Tucker for thirty years or more and hold him in the sincerest respect.

At the same time I do not wish my friends, of whom I have many in the Northern Neck, to suppose for one moment that I am taking any active part in the gubernatorial contest. I have never offered for any public position and have never spoken a public word in behalf of any candidate for office. I regret the necessity of burdening you with this communication, but I do not wish my good friends who read your good paper to rest under a possible misapprehension.

Sincerely yours,  
R. H. PITT.

Richmond, Va., July 20, 1909.

## CURLETT-WELLFORD SPARKS.

Curious Doings in This Queer Legislative Fight.

It is currently reported along Light street wharf, Baltimore, that "if Curlett is elected local option in Lancaster will become a fixed fact, but if Wellford succeeds it will be a heart in the wet men and they will try to get an election and make the county wet. Also that one of the oldest, if not the oldest, ministers in the county has deserted Curlett and the 'drys' and gone over to Wellford and the 'wets'."

Mr. Curlett has put a quietus upon the carpers on the Fish Commission bill in several ways, among them by showing that not one line or word was given him in opposition to it during all the weeks it occupied public attention before passage. Another, by stamping the critics in his offer to advocate a reduction in salaries and appropriation if Tucker should be elected; of course they want all they can get when one of their crowd might be the Commissioner. Yet another, he shows that to increase salaries and get a fair appropriation returned to Tidewater for protection of oyster beds (instead of giving the \$45,000 to some big institution as would have been the case) was not unconstitutional, and was done at the same time for officers from Attorney-General down; the large appropriation brought new police boats to Tidewater and permitted an increase in wages of Tidewater men heretofore employed at small salaries; every man (but one), including every Republican, in the Legislature of 140 men favored increased salaries and thought Tidewater should have \$45,000, or more, a year returned from the big tax she annually pays. The man that raises his voice against this deemed no friend to his people. Still another is, that if their Congressmen can accept with approval an increase of salary from \$5,000 to \$7,500 a year, with \$1,200 for a secretary, there should be no kick on \$2,500 for a Commissioner of Fisheries, an office of more work and of more importance to Tidewater than is that of Congressman. No wonder they hate the Lancaster Delegate when he so clearly shows up their meanness.

If Mr. Curlett has always voted and worked for the "drys", and Mr. Wellford never; if Mr. Wellford's record in the Legislature was for large appropriations to the universities and institutions and small ones to the public schools, and Mr. Curlett's life and votes have been with the masses and the public school system in which he has for thirteen years been a teacher—

Then, how in the name of consistency, common sense and public good could the rank and file of Democracy prefer Mr. Wellford to Mr. Curlett! But they do not. It is only because some descend to the low plane of making Lee the issue. Mr. Lee is innocent of being a dictator or in attempting to control Mr. Curlett, and, as a good citizen, will try to get him elected. It will be neither a "Lee victory" nor a "Lee defeat" whichever way the issue ends, notwithstanding demagogues may put it that way. The Wellford leaders who play upon this do not believe it themselves, but adroitly try to make followers believe it—and some are fools enough to do so.

A CARD.

EDITOR NORTHERN NECK NEWS:  
We, the undersigned citizens of Richmond county, do resent the attacks as published in your paper upon the private character and public record of Hon. John Curlett, and submit this testimonial showing our regard and esteem for him as such:

[Signed]: T. Guy Hale, K. R. Cralle, J. A. Jones, W. B. Hale, T. H. Sanford, C. B. Peed, O. D. Hale.

It looks like the traducers of Hon. John Curlett have made him friends, and the said traducers are trusting to manipulations not to defeat him. But good citizens have their eyes open, well remembering the Finckard-Wellford doings at Ottoman some years ago.

## 66 TO 4.

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## REPUBLICANS NOMINATE.

Kent, of the Southwest, was nominated yesterday for Governor by the Republican Convention. Other officers not yet named.

## "SELDOM" HITS HARD.

In Letter to Warsaw News he Scores That Paper and Dr. Pitt.

EDITOR OF THE NEWS:  
Sir,—I am very sorry that so much has appeared in the News of late very distasteful to me. In my humble way for years I have done faithful work for the paper and I am sorry we should drift so far apart; differ so much as to what is best for both the paper and our people. If Hon. John Curlett is elected he should thank both Mr. Rice and the News.

The News thinks Congressman Slemple and all the Republicans are favorable to Judge Mann, because if Judge Mann is nominated the Republicans hope to win. Think of it! Judge Mann's letters of thirty years ago to General Mahone dragged out! How terrible and inconsistent! I can see nothing in them to harm Judge Mann. "Drowning men catch at straws." Hon. Wm. Mayo, chairman of the Democratic party in our county, followed General Mahone into the Republican party.

The News is so glad Dr. R. H. Pitt is a Tucker man. I should know the language of the "Baptist Tribe", and I am more than sorry that the Editor of the organ of that denomination in our State had to go to the secular papers to let the public know how he would vote. But Dr. R. H. Pitt's political preferences in or out of the papers will make the same impression on me that water does on a duck's back, and make me more determined to vote for Judge Mann. I heard a man say the other day that he couldn't vote but he thought Mr. Tucker was as much in favor of temperance as Judge Mann. If for one moment you think so won't you look at your near neighbors and ask yourself this question: Why is it every moderate drinker and every whiskey man is favorable to and a supporter of Mr. Tucker? You may not know or have any confidence in me, but you do know Hon. C. Harding Walker, and no man among us knows Judge Mann as he does. Mr. Walker told me at my home recently that he would support Judge Mann. And, brother, if his Democracy and temperance is suitable to Hon. C. Harding Walker, surely it should be to you. All his useful life, in season and out, Judge Mann has made an earnest and untiring effort for all that was true and best for our people. Now that he asks the last time for bread shall we give him a stone? I shall be slow to believe it.

Hague, Va. JOHN L. BEALE.

## JUDGE BEALE WROTE THIS FOUR YEARS AGO. READ IT NOW.

EDITORS NORTHERN NECK NEWS:  
As the only objection I have ever heard to Judge Mann was that he might make some changes in the Corporation Commission which would lessen its efficiency, and as the Northern Neck News harps on the Corporation Commission and rather intimates, I think, that Mr. Montague is the only man who is willing and able to keep it in successful operation, I think it is but fair that Judge Mann's attitude towards the Corporation Commission should be made known through the News. I therefore ask that you will publish this extract from his statement publicly made in reference to the Commission:

"The law has been administered in a most satisfactory manner by the present Commission, and without intending to commit myself thus far in advance, I will say that if elected I would, as at present advised, reappoint any member of the Corporation Commission whose term expired during my incumbency, and if it should be necessary to appoint some one else, I would select some man free from corporation influences who would administer the law freely and impartially and with an eye single to the public good."

So that, so far as the Corporation Commission is concerned, as well as on every other subject which affects the best interests of the State, Judge Mann is fully abreast of every other candidate, and on the subject of temperance, which is of vital importance to every home and hearthstone and to every man, woman and child throughout the broad limits of the State, he is, in my humble opinion, a long way ahead of the others.

Yours, &c.,  
R. H. BEALE.

## REPUBLICAN DELEGATES.

Get Stranded And Are Helped By Democrats  
A number of Republican delegates from Fredericksburg, along the river and Urbanna, were aboard the yacht Mayflower en route to the State convention at Newport News. When off Urbanna the gasoline engine "spit" a number of times ominously, and some talked about jumping overboard. Capt. D. M. Nelson, of Urbanna, took them in tow with his boat, and, later, the State steamer Commodore Maury, on her way to Norfolk, took aboard the distressed travelers and landed them at Old Point Wednesday morning.

## HE SHOULD BE WATCHED.

[Colonial Beach Record.]  
A close study of the tactics used by Mr. Tucker and Judge Mann have always shown that the former has something to spring on the public unaware, and is therefore acting the part of one who believes the voter always capable of being "gulled" by everything he hears or reads. On this account we expect that on the eve of election some charge will be made against Judge Mann at a time when it is too late for him to answer.

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## CITIZENS OF THE COUNTIES OF LANCASTER AND RICHMOND.

As a candidate for re-nomination to the House of Delegates, subject to the Democratic primary, I ask your aid. Unfortunately I am so situated that I shall not be able to call upon you personally, but shall deem it my duty to meet any and all opponents upon the hustings and discuss the issues of this campaign.

Believing in the justice and fairness of your judgment and knowing I have rendered a faithful service I feel free in again asking your support.

Respectfully,  
JNO. CURLETT.

Wheaton, Va.

## BEANE'S HOTEL, MARVIN GROVE CAMP.

The next annual meeting of Marvin Grove Camp will be held, beginning

FRIDAY, JULY 30,

to continue ten days. I will endeavor to furnish good meals and good accommodations. Sleeping accommodations will be open in both hotels.

Terms—Board for 10 days \$6.00; less than a week \$1.00 a day, or 50 cents for single meal. Sleeping accommodations same as in former years.

W. G. BEANE, Lancaster, Va.

## BEST GOODS, LOWEST PRICES.

Sharps is the place to get the best and cheapest goods, and as proof look at these prices: Turkish bath soap 20 cts. a dozen worth 40 cts. Cuticura soap 18 cts. Colgate Toilet powder 15 cts.

We sell Furniture, Cook Stoves, and everything else found in an up-to-date country store at rock bottom prices.

Come to our store and if there is anything wanted not in sight ask for it; we are apt to have it. No 1 sap shingles for sale cheap.

J. W. CLARKSON, SHARPS, VA.

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WEEMS, VA.

Manufacturers of all grades of

PAVING AND BUILDING BRICKS

We can deliver Brick to any point on water front.

## Rappahannock Marine Railway Co.

WEEMS, VA.

Now equipped for hauling and repairing all classes of boats in these waters.